

ARE THEY REBELS?

Committee on Foreign Affairs
Trying to Decide

Whether Brazilian Blockaders
are Rebels or Pirates.

A BARREN IDEALITY

Is What Mr. Money Thinks
They Are.

WASHINGTON. March 10.—[Special.]—The commissioners on foreign affairs have been wrestling with a series of considerations arising out of the peculiar situation in Brazil, and, as might have been expected, have come to a great variety of conclusions. Senator George, who has made a special study of the subject, has said that there is no exact precedent, and that the question may be broadly put thus: Are those fellows now blockading the port of Rio belligerents rebels, mutineers or pirates? At first view it would seem clear to claim that they are pirates, but members of the house committee say that it cannot be shown by the law of nations that they are anything else and that if they should capture any ship seeking to enter the harbor they might be dealt with as pirates. They arrive at this conclusion by the following line of reasoning:

Not Belligerents as Belligerents.

There is not one government in Brazil which is recognized by the rest of the world. The so-called rebels have not been recognized as belligerents, and the navy with which they are blockading Rio is Brazil's navy. Down to this point they are mutineers. They are, in fact, in precisely the same situation under the law of nations as American naval officers would be if they should blockade the port of New York. They have, strictly speaking, no government, no territory which they dominate, no capital recognized as such, no civil representatives in any other country—in short, no standing whatever any more than have any other band of mutineers.

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FOR KILLING HIS WIFE

Diederich Kemmann Arrested at Kansas City for That Crime.

KANSAS CITY, March 10.—Diederich Kemmann, the husband of the woman who was found dead in a vacant house on Baltimore avenue some three weeks ago, and Theodore Hoffman, alias Pauline White, an inmate of a disreputable house, were locked up today charged with the murder of Mrs. Kemmann.

From the evidence in the hands of the police it appears that Kemmann has been living a dual life, and that he murdered his first wife to obtain the \$5,000 insurance on her life, so that he could consort with the Hoffman woman.

Kemmann, it is said, took his wife to the vacant house on the pretense of showing it to her with a view of renting it, and there committed the dastardly crime.

Theodore Hoffman came to this country from Germany in 1886, and went to Denver, where she and Kemmann lived together. Later they went to Omaha, and finally landed in Kansas City, where they plotted to murder Kemmann's wife. They both deny complicity in the affair, but they are being closely questioned, and it is expected one of the other will confess.

WORSE THAN PLAGIARISM.

A College Student Shoots Himself to Escape an Oratorical Contest.

WEST UNION, Iowa, March 10.—D. A. Costigan, a student of the university at Fayette, plunged his five tons and bag into a ditch out of town Tuesday night, making a full confession in writing concerning the one but himself.

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WORLD'S FAIR IN PERIL.

Only Eight Men Guarded the Big Buildings Last Night.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Over all the square miles of Jackson park eight men kept guard last night. In the acres of highly inflammable buildings, always at the mercy of incendiarism, was there every opportunity for destructive fire that would have imperiled the whole southeastern section of Chicago.

Only three men guarded the big dark concern that was once the manufacturing building, one paced the aisles of the palace of mechanical arts, one in the transportation building and one in the horticultural building.

In the office of the guard of the public service building, was one sleepy sentinel, and in the dormitory was another.

Practically six men guarded the whole park.

The remnant of the Columbian guard, which until recently numbered eight men, struck last night, owing, it is said, to the reduction to the ranks of Sergeant Foss, who was a favorite with the men, and the retention of another sergeant who was disliked by the men.

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A heated discussion ensued and Shoemaker said Brower was a liar. He had scarcely uttered the words when Brower struck him in the eye and followed it up with two more blows. Before any serious damage was done, the men were separated.

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BURGLARS WITH NIPPERS

Enter the Home of the Hanley Brothers and Get Valuable Watches.

When Michael Hanley Jr., who resides with his parents at the corner of Topeka avenue and Park street, arose from his bed this morning with the intention of dressing himself, he found that as regarded anything in sight he was as destitute of outward apparel as were our first parents in the Garden of Eden. He called to his brother John, who occupied the room with him to hunt his clothes, but John discovered that he was in the same predicament and then the family was aroused and the clothes were found in the sitting room down stairs, with the pockets emptied of everything of value which they had contained.

The doors were examined and both the front and back doors were found unlocked, then they realized that the house had been burglarized. The keys were still in the locks, but on examination they showed the marks of the nippers which had been used to turn them from the outside.

The only rooms visited were the two at the head of the stairs, one occupied by the boy and the other by their parents. The clothing of Mr. Hanley Sr., was taken from his son, but contained little of value. From the boy's was obtained two valuable gold watches, presents from their mother, and a few dollars in cash.

Officer Steele thinks the burglars were amateurs or they would have gone through the whole house. Had they done so they would have been rewarded, for each of the younger members of the family has a valuable gold watch, and Tom Hanley had a considerable sum of money in his room, which he had brought up from the store.

The house of W. F. Monisith, near by, was also visited, an entrance being made in the same way. His only loss was a small sum of money which he had in his pocket.

OUT OF THE FAIR GROUNDS

County Commissioners Bring Suit Against the State Fair Association.

The board of county commissioners, by H. C. Safford, the county attorney, filed a petition in the district court today, asking that its lease with the state fair association for the "fair grounds" and all outstanding contracts with the state fair association be dissolved. W. A. Sells, the receiver for the fair association, is made the defendant in the case.

In their cause of action the county commissioners alleged that a contract was made with the state fair association when it was first organized, ten years ago, by a lease of the county fair grounds, by which the association was to keep the grounds in good repair and give an agricultural and industrial fair once a year.

They asked that the contract be declared null and void for the following reasons:

First.—A claim (Sells & Rentfrow's) has been allowed to winter on the grounds, making extra hazards on the property, contrary to the terms of the lease.

Second.—The buildings are not kept in repair and good order.

Third.—The association has failed to hold Shawnee county liable for the cost of improvements and taking care of the grounds.

Fourth.—By insolvency the association is unable to perform the requirements provided for under its contract.

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One of Iowa's Senators Has a Fight in the Club Room.

DALLAS, Iowa, March 10.—In the club room, during the discussion of the temperance bill today, Senator Brower had an altercation with S. H. Shoemaker, editor of the Hampton Chronicle. Brower entered the room and Shoemaker spoke to him. Brower asked if he was not the editor of the Chronicle, and then said he desired nothing to do with him.

Shoemaker followed him and asked if Brower had not promised to retain the present prohibition law if elected. Brower replied he had not, and any man who said so was a liar.

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PHILIP ARMOUR'S GIFT.

To Devote Half a Million to a Manual School at San Francisco.

CHICAGO, March 10.—A special to the Inter-Ocean from San Francisco says: It is learned today that Philip D. Armour, the Chicago philanthropist, will leave \$500,000 to the San Francisco public school "in which to teach boys trades."

The general endowment of a trade school is engaged to serve as a memorial of his early successes in California in the pioneer days when he made the money which served as a nucleus of his fortune. He and his sons have been especially interested in the work done at Stanford university.

HUDSON RIVER OPEN.

Steamboats Go Up the Earliest Since 1888.

PERIODICAL, N. Y., March 10.—Navigation is open on the Hudson river from this place to New York, and the river is nearly clear of ice to the Highlands.

The Homer Hamelot, plying between Newburgh and New York, made her first trip yesterday. Several boats at Tarrytown, Yonkers and other points on the Hudson, will soon begin running. This is the earliest opening of navigation since 1882.

GREAT MEXICAN CANAL.

WHO Take Two Years to Finish the Big Dams.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., March 10.—W. Pearson, of the English contracting firm of Pearson & Son, has arrived from England and is now in consultation with President Diaz on the subject of speedily pushing the great Mexico valley drainage canal to completion.

Although the six mile tunnel to the great work is expected to be ready for opening on May 5, the canal will not be finished for two years at the present rate of progress.

Mr. White to Take Oath Monday.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The present understanding at the supreme court is that Associate Justice White of Louisiana will be sworn in next Monday at the opening of court, as his resignation as a senator from Louisiana will take effect on Monday. Representative Blanchard expects his commission as senator today, and if it is received he will enter upon his new duties Monday.

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BARCOCK & FROST.

Fine Work.

At Topeka Steam Laundry.

112 and 114 West St., Peerless Steam Laundry.

NEWS OF KANSAS.

Mangled Body of a Man Found at Ft. Scott.

Was He Murdered Or Was It an Accident?

OTHER STATE NEWS.

State Board of Pharmacists Finish Their Work.

Fr. Scott, Kan., March 10.—The mangled body of a man about 24 or 25 years of age, five feet six inches in height, dark complexion, smooth shaved, dark hair cut short, neatly dressed in double breasted buck coat, dark striped pantaloons, lace shoes and black soft hat, was found near the track yard yesterday.

He was recognized as one of the two tramps who were seen around on the streets yesterday begging and selling cheap jewelry. The partner of the dead man is a one-armed man, medium height, dressed in ragged blue frock coat, dark complexion, small black mustache, with soft black hat.

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